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SUBJECT: ECE- SENIOR ADVISERS ON ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS

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1. DEPT. CONCERNED ABOUT GENEVA' S ASSESSMENT REPORTED
REFTTEL THERE LITTLE LIKELIHOOD USSR WILL AGREE TO TERMS OF
REFERENCE AND WORK PROGRAM AT FORTHCOMING FIRST SESSION OF
SENIOR ADVISERS TO ECE GOVERNMENTS ON ENVIRONMENTAL
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PROBLEMS.

2. U. S. FIELDING STRONG DELEGATION TO MEETING HEADED BY JOHN BUSTERUD, MEMBER OF PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY, AND HAS DONE CONSIDERABLE PREPARATORY WORK. WOULD NOT WISH TO SEE THIS EFFORT COME TO NOTHING.

3. ACCORDINGLY WOULD APPRECIATE IF MISSION COULD MAKE REPRESENTATIONS TO SOVIET OFFICIALS AT APPROPRIATE LEVELS, TO ADOPT POSITIVE POSTURE AT MEETING OF SENIOR ADVISERS AND SUPPORT REACHING AGREEMENT ON TERMS OF REFERENCE AND MEANINGFUL WORK PROGRAM.

4. MISSION SHOULD INFORM SOVIETS U. S. FAVORS TERMS OF REFERENCE WHICH GIVES SENIOR ADVISERS PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY FOR PLANNING, AND COORDINATING ALL ECE WORK ON ENVIRONMENT. HOUSE

SPOKESMAN SAID FOLLOWING MRS. MEIR'S VISIT, THAT WE CONTINUE TO ADHERE TO POLICY OF SUPPORT FOR MILITARY BALANCE AND FOR ISRAEL'S SECURITY; EGYPTIANS SHOULD HAVE NO ILLUSIONS THAT THIS WILL CHANGE. WE ALSO HAVE EMPHASIZED THAT THIS IS A BILATERAL U. S.- ISRAELI MATTER AND DOES NOT ALTER IN ANY WAY OUR DESIRE TO WORK FOR PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT. FINALLY, ATHERTON TOLD IDAN ALL INDICATIONS ARE THAT EGYPTIANS CONTINUE TO DESIRE MAINTAIN DIALOGUE WITH USG. ROGERS

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